



Andrew Conklin

February 21, 1936 - October 2, 2011

Andrew J. Conklin, 75, of West Point, VA, died Sunday, October 2, 2011. Andy retired as Captain in the United States Navy and was a decorated veteran of 34 years. Subsequently licensed as Unlimited Master in the United States Merchant Marine, for 12 years he shipped out on USNS vessels. Andy was dedicated to helping others and worked to make the Town of West Point a better place to live. He served on Town Council and was elected Mayor for a term. He practiced his service vocation to the community directly through benevolent organizations Arts Alive, Meals on Wheels, Knights of Columbus, Kiwanis, and Sentara Hospice Services. A lifelong devout Catholic, Andy was an active member of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, serving in both lay ministry and leadership. He died in full and humble confidence in a benevolent and merciful God. Andy is survived by his wife of 52 years, Peg; six children, Jennifer Thompson, Carrie, Andrew, Mary Silva, James, and Tom; 16 grandchildren; a sister, Nicki McMahon; and a brother, Peter Conklin. A funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, October 8th at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, 3570 King William Avenue, West Point, VA. The family will receive friends 6 to 8 p.m. Friday with a rosary service at 6 p.m. at Vincent Funeral Home, 417 11th Street, West Point, VA. The burial will be in Arlington National Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Good Neighbor Center, 207 W. Euclid Blvd, West Point, VA 23181.